Proposal to amend Article 356 of the Constitution

4205. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend Article 356 of the Constitution;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) There is no proposal at present with the Government for amendment of Article 356 of the Constitution.

(c) The Justice Sarkaria Commission on Centre State relations have made a number of recommendations including those relating to Article 356 of the Constitution. These recommendations are presently under examination of a Sub-Committee of the Inter State Council.

Central Industrial Security Force

4206. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to allow the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), currently engaged in providing security only to public sector undertakings, to take up private sector units also;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal;

(c) when it is likely to be implemented;

(d) whether it is a fact that Central Industrial Security Force which is a specialist trained force is used for law and order duties such as rallies, demonstrations etc.;

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(f) the number of cases of industrial theft and pilferage detected by Central Industrial Security Force during each of the last three years; and

(g) the number of cases solved and value of stolen property recovered during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The matter is under consideration.

(d) and (e) On account of non-availability of other Para-Military Forces in adequate number, CISF is sometimes deployed with State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to assist them in the maintenance of Public order.

(f) and (g) The information is given in the attached statement.

Statement

Year	No. of cases detected	Property Stolen	Property Recovered	Un-claimed Property recovered	Total Property Recovered Col. 4&5
1	2	3	4	5	6
1990	3558	66,21,367.00	46,78,196.00	1,23,44,353.00	1,70,22,549.00
1991	4253	1,13,09,146.00	92,20,541.00	1,26,35,666.00	2,18,56,207.00
1992	4069	2,11,60,729.00	1,64,14,291.00	1,70,83,947.00	3,34,98,236.00
G. TOTAL	11880	3,90,91,242.00	3,03,13,028.00	4,20,63,966.00	7,23,76,992.00